

Montana Land Cover Atlas

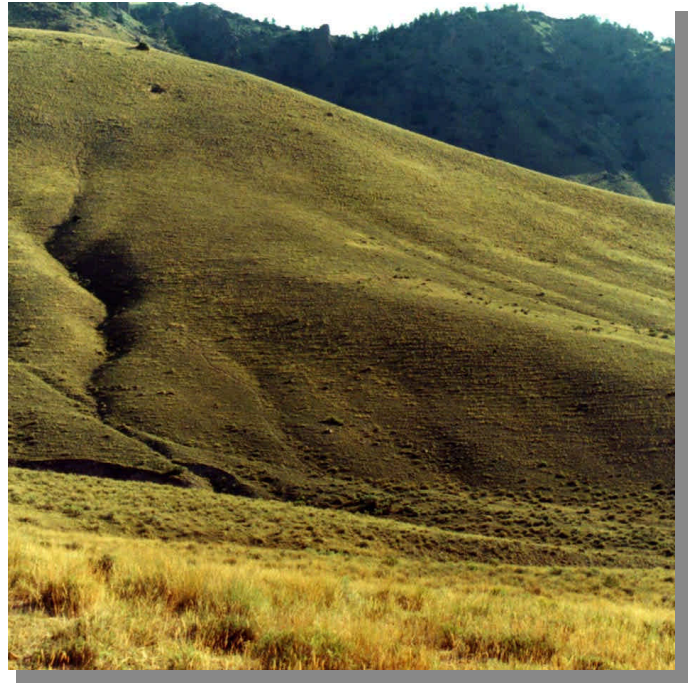
3150 Low / Moderate Cover Grasslands

DOMINANT SPECIES

Arrowleaf Balsamroot (*Balsamorhiza sagittata*)
Bluebunch Wheatgrass (*Agropyron spicatum*)
Blue Grama (*Bouteloua gracilis*)
Bluestem (*Andropogon spp.*)
Carex species (*Carex spp.*)
Green Needlegrass (*Stipa viridula*)
Idaho Fescue (*Festuca Idahoensis*)
Lupine (*Lupinus spp.*)
Needle & Thread grass (*Stipa comata*)
Rough Fescue (*Festuca scabrella*)
Timothy (*Poa pratensis*)
Western Wheatgrass (*Agropyron smithii*)

DESCRIPTION

Low to moderate cover grasslands with total grass cover from 20-70%. Dominated by short to medium height grasses and forbs. Grasslands with production ranges from 300-1800 lb/ac. Includes rangelands and non-irrigated pastures.



TOTAL AREA

10,427,464 hectares

432,016 patches

27.38 % of state

ELEVATION

311 - 3266 m range

1100 m mean

STATE RANGE

Occurs across the state in valleys and foothills. Occurs on middle to high elevation mountain slopes on south aspects.

